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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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TITLE

: A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
FAST COMPUTATION OF  
ASSOCIATIVE OPERATIONS OVER  
FIXED SIZE REGIONS OF A  
DIGITAL IMAGE

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The initial period for responding to the Office Action issued January 21, 2004 expired on April 21, 2004. A petition is hereby made for a three month extension of time up to and including July 21, 2004, in which to respond to the Office Action.

The requested extension and appropriate large entity fee are as follows:

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A check in the amount of \$950.00 is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.

Respectfully submitted,

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